

Training News & More

Information is power. There is a lot of public information about developmental disabilities. In this issue of DDD Today, we want to let you know about some of the many training opportunities that are available through our community provider agencies. Here is a sampling of what is coming up, along with a few new resources for obtaining information.

New spring 2008 sessions for  "Life Line for the Journey" are available online now. Click on the logo or go to <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/lifeline.htm>.

The Arc of New Jersey**Hold the Date:**

May 30, 2008 - the **19th Annual Conference on Medical Care for Persons with Developmental Disabilities** will be held at The Westin Princeton from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM in Princeton, NJ.

Caregivers of NJ

provides an online publication *Caregiver Connection*, which began in November 2007. The most recent issue was release on February 7, 2008. You can find these issues and others on their website at www.njcaregivers.org. If you have something you would like included in the *Caregiver Connection*, please send email to dgoldberg@familyresourcenetwork.org.

The Brain Injury Association of New Jersey

<http://www.bianj.org/upcoming-programs-and-events> (from the BIANJ website)

will be holding FREE Brain Injury Basics for Families sessions. The overall goal of the sessions is to educate attendees about the impact of brain injury on families."

Details of upcoming sessions are as follows:

- **April 3 (Thursday), 6:30 - 8:30 PM, Morris County** - Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation, Welkind Facility, Pleasant Valley Road, Chester, NJ 07930
- **May 13 (Tuesday), 6:30 - 8:30 PM, Middlesex County** - JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute, Center for Head Injuries - the Hartwyck Building, 2048 Oak Tree Road, Edison, NJ 08818
- **June 24 (Tuesday), 6:30 - 8:30 PM, Atlantic County** - AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center, 1925 Pacific Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401

If you have any questions about the Brain Injury Basics sessions, please contact us at 732-738-1002 or 800-669-4323. You may also email Rene Carfi at rcarfi@bianj.org

The Elizabeth Boggs Center of New Jersey

will have upcoming Training Opportunities; Register now for April - June 2008:

- Training Opportunities courses include Supported Employment, Direct Support, Person Centered Thinking, Essential Lifestyle Planning, Individual Habilitation Plan, Older Adults, Positive Behavior Support, Cultural Diversity, Faith Based Supports, and Sexuality.
- View training courses, dates, locations, and register online at: <http://rwjms.umdnj.edu/boggscenter/training/index.htm>
- Register now for the spring 2008.

Developmental Disabilities Lecture Series!

- April 11 & 18 at the Hilton Woodbridge, Iselin, NJ
- May 6 & 13 at the Doubletree Guest Suites, Mt. Laurel, NJ
- View the brochure and register online at: http://rwjms.umdnj.edu/boggscenter/training/dd_lecture_series.htm
- Registration deadline: March 24, 2008

Save the Dates: Registration brochures coming soon.
May 10, 2008

- **The 7th Annual Self Directed Supports Conference**
Getting Great Support Staff: The Skills You Need for the Life You Want *A Conference to Build Practical Skills for Individuals in Self Directed Supports* Doubletree Hotel, Somerset, NJ

June 13, 2008

- **Enhancing Quality of Life for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and Families: Positive Behavior Support** at the Doubletree Hotel, Somerset, NJ